

# California Department of Insurance

## Fraud Division

### August 2011 Workers' Compensation Fraud Convictions

Effective January 01, 2005, Assembly Bill 2866 (Frommer) enacted Insurance Code Section 1871.9 requiring the posting of all workers' compensation fraud convictions to the CDI website.

Per section 1871.9, the department shall post all of the following information on its Internet Web site for each person, as defined in Section 19, convicted of a violation of this article (1871.4), Section 11760 or 11880, Section 3700.5 of the Labor Code or Section 487 or 550 of the Penal Code, if the violation involved workers' compensation insurance, services or benefits:

- The name, case number, county or court and other identifying information with respect to the case.
- The full name of the defendant.
- The city and county of the defendant's last known residence or business address.
- The date of conviction.
- A description of the offense.
- The amount of money alleged to have been defrauded.
- A description of the punishment imposed, including the length of any sentence of imprisonment and the amount of any fine imposed.

The information required to be posted under this section shall be maintained on the department Web site for a period of five years from the date of conviction or until the department is notified in writing by the person that the conviction has been reversed or expunged.

**Note:** If new documentation has been received that in any way affects the conviction information contained herein, please forward that documentation with an explanation to:

Bureau Chief, Workers' Compensation Program  
9342 Tech Center Drive, Suite 100  
Sacramento, CA 95826

A determination to make any changes will be made within sixty (60) days of receipt of the information.

## **August 2011 Workers' Compensation Fraud Convictions**

**CDI Case Name:** CSLB El Dorado Joint Sting

**CDI Case Number:** 10AW021448

**County:** El Dorado

**Defendant:** John Lloyd Bethel

**City/County of Residence:** Placerville/El Dorado

**Conviction Date:** 08/22/11

**Offense:** 1 Count of LC 3700.5 (No Workers' Compensation Insurance)

**Amount Allegedly Defrauded:** N/A

**Sentence:** 24 Months Summary Probation, \$10,100 Fine Stayed and Imposes \$100 Civil Fine, \$1,040 Criminal Fine

**Case Number:** BA382525

**County:** Los Angeles

**Defendant:** Maria Dolores Castaneda

**City/County of Residence:** Not available at this time

**Conviction Date:** 08/09/11

**Offense:** 1 Count of IC 1871.4(a)(1) (Make or Cause to be Made a Knowingly False or Fraudulent Material Statement or Material Representation for the Purpose of Obtaining Compensation)

**Amount Allegedly Defrauded:** \$1,000

**Sentence:** 1 Day County Jail, 100 Hours Community Service, 3 Years Formal Probation, \$1,000 Restitution, \$200 Civil Fine

**CDI Case Number:** 09FW014042

**County:** Fresno

**Defendant:** Richard Fulton

**City/County of Residence:** Kingsburg/ Fresno

**Conviction Date:** 08/31/2011

**Offense:** 1 Count of IC 1871.4(a)(2) (False or Misleading Statement in Support of Claim)

**Amount Allegedly Defrauded:** \$20,504

**Sentence:** 1 Day County Jail, 2 Years Formal Probation, \$200 Civil Fine

**Case Number:** BA383047

**CDI Number:** 10CW003813

**County:** Los Angeles

**Defendant:** Waliga Gatatho

**City/County of Residence:** Huntington Park/Los Angeles

**Conviction Date:** 08/12/11

**Offense:** 1 Count of IC 11880(a) (Premium Fraud) (Misdemeanor)

**Amount Allegedly Defrauded:** TBD

**Sentence:** 24 Months Summary Probation, Civil Fine and Mandatory Fees are Waived

**CDI Case Number:** 10EW010766

**County:** San Diego

**Defendant:** Jorje Lucero

**City/County of Residence:** San Diego/San Diego

**Conviction Date:** 08/30/11

**Offense:** 1 Count of IC 1871.4(a)(1) (Make or Cause to be Made a Knowingly False or Fraudulent Material Statement or Material Representation for the Purpose of Obtaining Compensation) (Misdemeanor)

**Amount Allegedly Defrauded:** \$13,365.26

**Sentence:** 1 Day County Jail, 40 Hours Volunteer Work, 3 Years Summary Probation, \$13,365.26 Restitution, \$100 Civil Fine

**Case Number:** BA379921

**County:** Los Angeles

**Defendant:** Michael Milan Watrin

**City/County of Residence:** Winnetka/Los Angeles

**Conviction Date:** 08/09/11

**Offense:** 1 Count of IC 1871.4(a)(1) (Make or Cause to be Made a Knowingly False or Fraudulent Material Statement or Material Representation for the Purpose of Obtaining Compensation) (Misdemeanor) ; 1 Count of PC 550(b)(1) (Failure to Disclose Material Information) (Misdemeanor)

**Amount Allegedly Defrauded:** \$1,130.22

**Sentence:** 2 Days County Jail, 3 Years Summary Probation, \$1,130.22 Restitution (Paid In Full), \$100 Civil Fine